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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMPUSSION 1 ZEED APR 13 A 8: 44 DÖCKETED 2 CARL J. KUNASEK APR 1 3 2000 Chairman 3 JIM IRVIN Commissioner DOCKETED BY 4 WILLIAM A. MUNDELL Commissioner 5 In the matter of DOCKET NO. S-03/177A-98-0000 6 FOREX INVESTMENT SERVICES 7 **CORPORATION** 2700 N. Central Ave., Suite 1110 RESPONSE TO APPLICATION FOR 8 Phoenix, AZ 85004 REHEARING 9 EASTERN VANGUARD FOREX LTD. 2700 N. Central Ave., Suite 1110 10 Phoenix, AZ 85004 11 c/o HWR Services Limited, Registered Agent P. O. Box 71, Craigmuir Chambers 12 Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands 13 EASTERN VANGUARD GROUP LIMITED 14 c/o AMS Trustees Limited, Registered Agent Creque Building, Main Street, P. O. Box 116 15 Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands 16 K. (DAVID) SHARMA 17 Eastern Vanguard Forex Ltd. P. O. Box 71, Craigmuir Chambers 18 Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands 19 SAMMY LEE CHUN WING 20 Eastern Vanguard Group Limited Creque Building, Main Street, P. O. Box 116 21 Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands 22 PETER SUEN SUK TAK 23 Eastern Vanguard Group Limited Creque Building, Main Street, P. O. Box 116 24 Road Town, Tortola British Virgin Islands 25

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The Securities Division ("Division") of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") hereby responds to the joint Application for Rehearing ("Application") docketed on April 7, 2000 by all Respondents in this matter except James Charles Simmons, Jr. ("Respondents") and opposes such Application on the following grounds.

I.

RESPONDENTS GROUNDS FOR REHEARING ARE WITHOUT MERIT

Except for a claim that the administrative penalties imposed by the Commission in Decision No.

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62403 were "excessive," Respondents' Application merely recites as other grounds for rehearing the identical exceptions they previously filed against the Hearing Division's Recommended Opinion and Order. All of these exceptions were originally raised by Respondents as legal or evidentiary issues during the hearing in this matter. All of these hearing issues were weighed and decided against Respondents by the Hearing Division in its Recommended Opinion and Order. Moreover, both the Hearing Division and the Commission rejected Respondents' exceptions at the Open Meeting deliberation in this matter on March 28, 2000. Respondents' Application provides no new information or argument why these twice-rejected grounds now justify a rehearing and they should again be rejected as without merit.

Respondents' Application fails to argue or even explain why they claim the administrative assessments imposed by the Commission are "excessive." Their assessment amounts are clearly within the statutory discretion of the Commission conferred by A.R.S. § 44-2036(A). The Division outlined its calculation of proposed penalty amounts and their statutory basis at pages 65-69 of its Post Hearing Memorandum filed in this matter on April 26, 1999. These proposed assessments were adopted by the Hearing Division at pages 35-36 of its Recommended Opinion and Order and thereafter imposed by Commission order in Decision No. 62403. Given the large number of violations in this matter, the ordered assessment amounts could well have been much higher. Clearly the Commission judiciously and lawfully exercised its statutory discretion in determining the penalty amounts imposed and no rehearing can be justified on Respondents' claim. Moreover, Decision No. 62403 further provides for the reduction of all assessment amounts to \$20,000 for each Respondent if restitution is paid within ninety days of the entry of that Opinion and Order. By simply satisfying their restitution obligation within that period, Respondents will automatically reduce their assessments substantially while complying with the restitution order of the Commission. Respondents' complaint of "excessive" penalties is without merit and should be rejected.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Respondents' grounds for rehearing should be rejected as without

II.

1	merit, Respondents' Application should be denied and Decision No. 62403 should be affirmed by	y the
2	Commission pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-112(D).	
3	DATED this $\sqrt{3^{7/4}}$ day of April, 2000.	
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